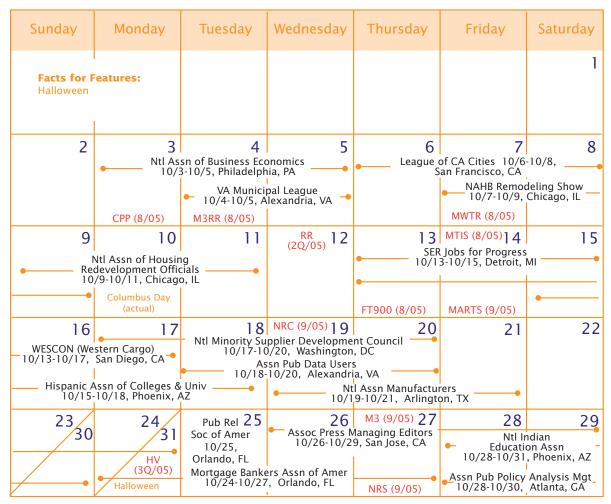


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Here, a woman at work in her kitchen, circa 1936.

In 2000, among owner-occupied housing units, 99.7 percent had complete kitchen facilities, 99.5 percent had complete plumbing facilities, and 98.8 percent had telephone service. In 1940, 54.7 percent of housing units had complete plumbing facilities. Data on complete kitchen facilities were collected for the first time in 1970 (96 percent had complete kitchen facilities), and data on occupied housing units with "telephone in housing unit" were collected for the first time in 1960 (78.5 percent had a telephone).

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 Summary File 3, Table QT-H9, "Occupancy, Telephone Service, Housing Facilities, and Meals Included in Rent: 2000;" "Housing Units – Historical Trends for Selected Characteristics: 1940 to," Telephone in Housing Unit, Table No. HS-27, Statistical Abstract of the United States, 2003; https://www.census.gov/statab/hist/HS-27.pdf

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